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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJ: SECRETARY'S VISIT: DRAFT SCENARIO

REF: (A) STATE 236139 (B) JIDDA 5377 (C) STATE 239786

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1. AMBASSADOR AND DCM MET WITH CHIEF OF ROYAL DIWAN AHMAD ABDUL WAHHAB DECEMBER 8 TO REVIEW PROGRAM FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT TO RIYADH. PER REF (C) AMBASSADOR EXPLAINED IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR SECRETARY TO ATTEND DINNER AS SUGGESTED BY PRINCES KHALID AND FAHD; HE ASKED THAT SECRETARY'S SINCERE REGRETS BE CONVEYED TO PRINCES. WAHHAB SAID HE WOULD DO SO; THIS CHANGE IN SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE HE SAID WAS UNDERSTANDABLE AND POSED NO PROBLEMS.

2. FOLLOWING DRAFT SCENAIRO THEN DRAWN UP FOR CONSIDERATION:

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14

1910 ARRIVE RIYADH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

1920 DEPART FOR GUEST PALACE

1930 ARRIVE GUEST PALACE

1930 - 2015 DINNER WILL BE AVAILABLE IN GUEST PALACE

DINNING ROOMS FOR SECRETARY AND HIS

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2015 DEPART FOR PRESIDENTIAL PALACE FOR MEETINGS WITH KING

2030 MEETING WITH KING FEISAL: (PRINCE FAHD,
PRINCE NAWWAF, MINISTER OF STATE OMAR
SAQQAF WILL PROBABLY BE AMONG SAUDI DIG-
NITARIES ATTENDING). MEETING OPEN-ENDED
(PRINCE FAHD MAY PAY PERSONAL CALL ON
SECRETARY FOLLOWING MEETING WITH KING).

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

0800 OR AT SECRETARY'S CONVENIENCE BREAKFAST
0845 CALL BY SAYYID OMAR SAQQAF
0930 DEPART GUEST PALACE FOR CENTRAL PLANNING
ORGANIZATION (SEE PARA 3 BELOW)
0945 MEETING AT CENTRAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION (CPO);
MEETING WOULD BE CHAIRED BY CPO CHIEF
MINISTER HISHAM NAZER, WHO WOULD MAKE BRIEF
INTRODUCTORY REMARKS ABOUT SAUDI ARABIA'S
DEVELOPMENT. (NAZER ALSO ACTING MINISTER
OF PETROLEUM) THIS WOULD BE FOLLOWED
BY PERIOD OF OPEN DISCUSSION. AMONG SAG
OFFICIALS ABDUL WAHHAB BELIEVED COULD
BEST MAKE CONTRIBUTION TO SUCH OCCASION
WERE MINAGRICULTURE HASSAN MISHARI:
ACTING MIN FINANCE MUHAMMAD ABAL KHAYL:
DEP MIN OR EDUCATION PRINCE KHALID:
DEPGOVERNOR OF PETROMIN (AND BROTHER OF
PRINCE SA'UD) PRINCE SA'D; AND POSSIBLY
MINPET YAMANI HIMSELF -- IF BACK FROM HIS
TRAVELS. PRINCE SA'UD (DEPMIN PET) IS NOT
EXPECTED TO BE IN SAUDI ARABIA AT TIME
OF SECRETARY'S VISIT. (WHILD SECRETARY AT
MEETING, OTHERS IN HIS PARTY CAN PROCEED
TO AIRPORT.)
1115 DEPART FOR AIRPORT
1130 ARRIVE AT AIRPORT
1140 DEPART FOR DAMASCUS

3. WITH REGARD TO MEETING AT CENTRAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION
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ABDUL WAHHAB BELIEVED THIS WOULD GIVE SECRETARY AND HIS
STAFF AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH GROUP OF YOUNGER
OFFICIALS WHO PLAY KEY ROLE IN SAG, AND WHO WILL COME
INCREASINGLY TO FORE IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. WAHHAB WILL
DEFER SETTING UP SUCH MEETING PENDING RECEIPT SECERTARY'S
CONCURRENCE. AMBASSADOR STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT THIS
GIVEN.

4. WAHHAB TOLD (PER PARA 3A REF B) US SIDE AT TALKS WITH
KING WOULD INCLUCE -- AS IT HAD BEFORE -- SECRETARY,
AMBASSADOR, MR. SISCO, INTERPRETER AND PERHAPS ONE OF

SECRETARY'S AIDS TO TAKE NOTES.

5. WAHHAB CONCURRED PER PARA 11 STATE 236936 (REF D)
THERE SHOULD BE NO EXCHANGE OF GIFTS.
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